1735

BARNES & THORNBURG

AU6 1 8 2003

11 South Meridian Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 (317) 236-1313 (317) 231-7433 Fax

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group:

1725

Confirmation No.:

9936

Application No.:

10/088,153

Invention:

STRIP CASTING

Applicant:

Hisahiko Fukase

Filed:

March 13, 2002

Attorney

Docket:

29385-68561

Examiner:

Tran, Len

Certificate Under 37 CFR 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

on August B JANS

(Signature)

Eric W. Beard

(Printed Name)

AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated March 13, 2003.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$410.00 for a two month extension of time.

Please charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment in connection with this request, to Applicant's undersigned counsel's deposit account 10-0435 with reference to matter no. 29385-68561.

08/19/2003 DTESSEM1 00000074 10086153

01 F0:1252

410.00 OP